



**Fish and Wildlife Management (FWMT)
FWMT 2010 Wildlife Management Techniques
COURSE SYLLABUS
Spring Semester 2019**

COURSE INFORMATION

Credit Hours/Minutes: 4/4500
Class Location: Room # 6110 Building (Bldg.) 6
Class Meets: Monday, Tuesday 9:15 am - 11:55 am
Course Reference Number (CRN): 40118

INSTRUCTOR CONTACT INFORMATION

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SOUTHEASTERN TECHNICAL COLLEGE'S (STC) CATALOG AND HANDBOOK

Students are responsible for all policies and procedures and all other information included in Southeastern Technical College's [Catalog and Handbook](http://www.southeasterntech.edu/student-affairs/catalog-handbook.php) (<http://www.southeasterntech.edu/student-affairs/catalog-handbook.php>).

REQUIRED TEXT

All-Weather Field Notebook #350. Nuisance Wildlife Management booklet.

REQUIRED SUPPLIES AND SOFTWARE

Pencils, paper, highlighter, field manual, muck boots, snake boots, and waders. Waders or muck boots must be worn at all times while setting traps. Heavy, insulated, fire retardant jacket with hood such as carhart. Access to computer with MS word. Requires student to be proficient in the use of blackboard. This is a web enhanced course. Copies of power point presentations (PPTs) will be placed on blackboard. Students are expected to access blackboard on a regular basis.

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course takes an applied approach in covering the methods commonly used in wildlife population management. Topics include identification, measurement of population parameters, wildlife damage management, collection of age, sex, and reproductive data, and investigations into causes of mortality. Upon completion students should understand and administer common population management techniques.

MAJOR COURSE COMPETENCIES

1. Capture, immobilization, handling and marking techniques
2. Measurement of population parameters
3. Causes of morbidity and mortality
4. Radio Telemetry
5. Wildlife Damage Management
6. Field note recording
7. Data collection

PREREQUISITE(S)

None

GENERAL EDUCATION CORE COMPETENCIES

Southeastern Technical College has identified the following general education core competencies that graduates will attain:

1. The ability to utilize standard written English.
2. The ability to solve practical mathematical problems.
3. The ability to read, analyze, and interpret information.

STUDENT REQUIREMENTS:

Students are responsible for policies and procedures included in the STC Catalog and Handbook. FWMT students are responsible for keeping clean, weather appropriate, dry clothing with them at all times. Failure to have appropriate accessories (waders, boots) does not excuse any student from participating in all field labs.

ATTENDANCE GUIDELINES

Class attendance is a very important aspect of a student's success. Being absent from class prevents students from receiving the full benefit of a course and also interrupts the learning process. Southeastern Technical College considers both tardiness and leaving early as types of absenteeism. Responsibility for class attendance rests with the student. Regular and punctual attendance at all scheduled classes is required for student success. Students will be expected to complete all work required by the instructor as described in the individual course syllabus.

Instructors have the right to give unannounced quizzes/assignments. Students who miss an unannounced quiz or assignment will receive a grade of 0. Students who stop attending class, but do not formally withdraw, may receive a grade of "F" (Failing 0-59) and face financial aid repercussions in upcoming semesters.

Instructors are responsible for determining whether missed work may be made up and the content and dates for makeup work is at the discretion of the instructor.

Students will not be withdrawn by an instructor for attendance; however, all instructors will keep records of graded assignments and student participation in course activities. The completion dates of these activities will be used to determine a student's last date of attendance in the event a student withdraws, stops attending, or receives an "F" in a course.

STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

Students with disabilities who believe that they may need accommodations in this class based on the impact of a disability are encouraged to contact the appropriate campus coordinator to request services.

Swainsboro Campus: [Macy Gay mgay@southeasterntech.edu](mailto:Macy.Gay@southeasterntech.edu), 478-289-2274, Building 1, Room 1208
Vidalia Campus: [Helen Thomas hthomas@southeasterntech.edu](mailto:Helen.Thomas@southeasterntech.edu), 912-538-3126, Building A, Room 108

SPECIFIC ABSENCES

Provisions for Instructional Time missed because of documented absences due to jury duty, military duty, court duty, or required job training will be made at the discretion of the instructor.

PREGNANCY

Southeastern Technical College does not discriminate on the basis of pregnancy. However, we can offer accommodations to students who are pregnant that need special consideration to successfully complete the course. If you think you will need accommodations due to pregnancy, please make arrangements with the appropriate campus coordinator.

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It is strongly encouraged that requests for consideration be made **PRIOR** to delivery and early enough in the pregnancy to ensure that all the required documentation is secured before the absence occurs. Requests made after delivery **MAY NOT** be accommodated. The coordinator will contact your instructor to discuss accommodations when all required documentation has been received. The instructor will then discuss a plan with you to make up missed assignments.

WITHDRAWAL PROCEDURE

Students wishing to officially withdraw from a course(s) or all courses after the drop/add period and prior to the 65% point of the term in which student is enrolled (date will be posted on the school calendar) must speak with a Career Counselor in Student Affairs and complete a Student Withdrawal Form. A grade of "W" (Withdrawn) is assigned for the course(s) when the student completes the withdrawal form.

Important – Student-initiated withdrawals are not allowed after the 65% point. After the 65% point of the term in which student is enrolled, the student has earned the right to a letter grade and will receive a grade for the course. Please note: Abandoning a course(s) instead of following official withdrawal procedures may result in a grade of "F" (Failing 0-59) being assigned.

Informing your instructor that you will not return to his/her course, does not satisfy the approved withdrawal procedure outlined above.

There is no refund for partial reduction of hours. Withdrawals may affect students' eligibility for financial aid for the current semester and in the future, so a student must also speak with a representative of the Financial Aid Office to determine any financial penalties that may be assessed due to the withdrawal. A grade of "W" will count in attempted hour calculations for the purpose of Financial Aid.

MAKEUP GUIDELINES (TESTS, QUIZZES, HOMEWORK, PROJECTS, ETC.)

No makeup labs will be available. If a student misses a test, a grade of zero will be assigned. Only students with extenuating circumstances (who contact the instructor on the day of the test regarding their absence) will be allowed to take a makeup test, which will replace the zero. Extenuating circumstances are determined at the instructor's discretion. Unless otherwise scheduled with the instructor, it is expected that the missed test will be taken the next day, scheduled outside of regular class time. It is within the instructor's discretion to accept or reject late assignments. **Failure to take the final exam/practicum at the end of the semester will result in a grade of zero. No make-up exams are allowed.** Students are expected to complete all work.

ACADEMIC DISHONESTY POLICY

The Southeastern Technical College Academic Dishonesty Policy states that all forms of academic dishonesty, including but not limited to cheating on tests, plagiarism, collusion, and falsification of information, will call for discipline. The policy can also be found in the Southeastern Technical College Catalog and Handbook.

PROCEDURE FOR ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT

The procedure for dealing with academic misconduct and dishonesty is as follows:

1. First Offense

Student will be assigned a grade of "0" for the test or assignment. Instructor keeps a record in course/program files and notes as first offense. The instructor will notify the student's program advisor, academic dean, and the Registrar at the student's home campus. The Registrar will input the incident into Banner for tracking purposes.

2. Second Offense

Student is given a grade of "WF" (Withdrawn Failing) for the course in which offense occurs. The instructor will notify the student's program advisor, academic dean, and the Registrar at the student's home campus indicating a "WF" has been issued as a result of second offense. The Registrar will input the incident into Banner for tracking purposes.

3. Third Offense

Student is given a grade of "WF" for the course in which the offense occurs. The instructor will notify the student's program advisor, academic dean, and the Registrar at the student's home campus indicating a "WF" has been issued as a result of third offense. The Vice President for Student Affairs, or designee, will notify the student of suspension from college for a specified period of time. The Registrar will input the incident into Banner for tracking purposes.

STATEMENT OF NON-DISCRIMINATION

The Technical College System of Georgia and its constituent Technical Colleges do not discriminate on the basis of race, color, creed, national or ethnic origin, sex, religion, disability, age, political affiliation or belief, genetic information, disabled veteran, veteran of the Vietnam Era, spouse of military member or citizenship status (except in those special circumstances permitted or mandated by law). This school is in compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, or national origin; with the provisions of Title IX of the Educational Amendments of 1972, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of gender; with the provisions of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicap; and with the American with Disabilities Act (ADA).

The following individuals have been designated to handle inquiries regarding the nondiscrimination policies:

American With Disabilities Act (ADA)/Section 504 - Equity- Title IX (Students) – Office of Civil Rights (OCR) Compliance Officer	Title VI - Title IX (Employees) – Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) Officer
Helen Thomas, Special Needs Specialist Vidalia Campus 3001 East 1 st Street, Vidalia Office 108 Phone: 912-538-3126 Email: Helen Thomas hthomas@southeasterntech.edu	Lanie Jonas, Director of Human Resources Vidalia Campus 3001 East 1 st Street, Vidalia Office 138B Phone: 912-538-3230 Email: Lanie Jonas ljonas@southeasterntech.edu

ACCESSIBILITY STATEMENT

Southeastern Technical College is committed to making course content accessible to individuals to comply with the requirements of Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). If you find a problem that prevents access, please contact the course instructor.

GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES

Grievance procedures can be found in the Catalog and Handbook located on Southeastern Technical College's website.

ACCESS TO TECHNOLOGY

Students can now access Blackboard, Remote Lab Access, Student Email, Library Databases (Galileo), and BannerWeb via the mySTC portal or by clicking the Current Students link on the [Southeastern Technical College \(STC\) Website \(www.southeasterntech.edu\)](http://www.southeasterntech.edu).

TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM OF GEORGIA (TCSG) GUARANTEE/WARRANTY STATEMENT

The Technical College System of Georgia guarantees employers that graduates of State Technical Colleges shall possess skills and knowledge as prescribed by State Curriculum Standards. Should any graduate employee within two years of graduation be deemed lacking in said skills, that student shall be retrained in any State Technical College at no charge for instructional costs to either the student or the employer.

GRADING POLICY

Assessment/Assignment	Percentage
Quizzes	30%
Final Exam	30%
Lab	40%

GRADING SCALE

Letter Grade	Range
A	90-100
B	80-89
C	70-79
D	60-69
F	0-59

FWMT 2010 Wildlife Management Techniques Spring Semester 2019 Lesson Plan

Date/Week	Chapter/Lesson	Content	Assignments & Tests Due Dates	Competency Area
Week 1	Course Introduction Capture, Immobilization, Handling/Marking Techniques	Syllabus, Policies/Procedures for lab Efficient/proper techniques to study populations mammal, birds, amphibians, reptiles	In class assignments. Review Power Points (PPTs) and handouts Individual assignments	1 a,b,c
Week 2	Capture, Immobilization, Handling/Marking Techniques	Drift fences, pitfall traps Mist nets	In class assignments Review PPTs and handouts Report on techniques to secure mammals, birds, amphibians, reptiles	1 a,b,c
Week 3	Capture, Immobilization, Handling/Marking Techniques	Bird banding, chemicals to immobilize animals		1 a,b,c
Week 4	Capture, Immobilization, Handling/Marking Techniques	Foothold traps and snares	In class assignments Review PPTs and handouts Field notes due	1 a,b,c
Week 5	Measurement of Population Parameters	Common censusing and estimation techniques. Deer density estimates using cameras	In class assignments Review PPTs and handouts Individual assignments	2 a,b,c
Week 6	Measurement of Population Parameters	Bird point counts Whistle counts, covey counts	In class assignments Review PPTs and handouts Report on whistle counts	2 a,b,c

Date/Week	Chapter/Lesson	Content	Assignments & Tests Due Dates	Competency Area
Week 7	Causes of Morbidity and Mortality	Investigate causes of death of wildlife Field necropsy Review for Mid Term Exam	In class assignments Review PPTs and handouts Individual assignments	3 a,b,c
Week 8	Causes of Morbidity and Mortality	Investigate causes of death of wildlife Field necropsy Mid Term Exam	In class assignments Review PPTs and handouts Report on Zoonoses: Bacterial and Viral	3 a,b,c
Week 9	Radio Telemetry	Using radio telemetry equipment and tools to track movements and habitat use of wildlife	In class assignments Review PPTs and handouts Individual assignments	4 a,b,c
Week 10	Wildlife Damage Management	Best management practices and regulations involving trapping and controlling wildlife	In class assignments Review PPTs and handouts	5 a,c
Week 11	Wildlife Damage Management	Apply BMP practices to trap and control wildlife species	In class assignments Review PPTs and handouts	5 a,c
Week 12	Wildlife Damage Management	Evaluate animal damage complaints to diagnose problem and prescribe a solution	In class assignments Review PPTs and handouts PPT on Wildlife Damage Mgt. due	5 a,c
Week 12	Wildlife Damage Management	Promote the positive value of furbearer management to ecosystems and society	In class assignments Review PPTs and handouts Individual assignments	5 a,c

Date/Week	Chapter/Lesson	Content	Assignments & Tests Due Dates	Competency Area
Week 13	Wildlife Damage Management	Promote the positive value of furbearer management to ecosystems and society	In class assignments Review PPTs and handouts Report on monetary value of furbearers	5 a,c
Week 13	Field Note Recording	Collect proper information when conducting field work	In class assignments Review PPTs and handouts Individual assignments	6 a,b,c
Week 14	Field Note Recording	Collect proper information when conducting field work Review for Practicum	In class assignments Review PPTs and handouts 50 question sample test due	6 a,b,c
Week 15	Data Collection	Demonstrate techniques to collect data on sex, age, and reproduction status of wildlife Final Exam: Practicum	In class assignments Review PPTs and handouts	7 a,b,c
Week 15		Final Exam		

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- b) The ability to solve practical mathematical problems.
- c) The ability to read, analyze, and interpret information.

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- Power point presentations will be placed on Blackboard. Students are responsible for studying these power points. Notifications and announcements will be placed on Blackboard. **Students are responsible for checking Blackboard daily.**
- Lesson plan subject to change at instructor's discretion.